

ARKANSAS

WEATHER AND CROP PROGRESS

October 17, 2005

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REPORTING FOR WEEK ENDING October 16, 2005 CROP YEAR

RELEASED: October 17, 3PM - There were 7 days suitable for field work. Soil moisture supplies were 25% very short, 40% short, 34% adequate, and 1% surplus.

CROPS: Dry conditions allowed producers to continue harvest of remaining crops. Rice harvest continues at a slower pace due to downed rice. A few reporters mentioned having some downed rice germinated. Apple harvest continued. Pecan groves being cleaned up in preparation for harvest. Hay producers made final cutting of warm season forages. Cool season forages need rain statewide. Armyworms reported in pastures and newly emerged wheat fields.

LIVESTOCK: Livestock were reported to be in fair condition. Culling cows and fall calves, and feeding hay reported due to dry conditions. Some cattle being sold due to shortage of pastures and hay. Fields drying out again. Fertilized cool season perennial forages, and planted cool season annual forages. Had problems with armyworms in some counties.

Progress %					Condition %				
CROP Stage	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5 Year Average	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
CORN									
Harvested	100	99	100	100					
SOYBEANS									
Yellowing	97	93	94	90					
Shedding	90	81	88	83					
Matured	80	69	78	53					
Harvested	62	50	59	46					
SORGHUM									
Harvested	97	92	98	98					
COTTON									
Bolls Open	100	98	99	98					
Harvested	73	47	48	50					
RICE									
Harvested	94	87	96	95					
WINTER WHEAT									
Planted	32	12	10	19					
Emerged	7	2	3	6					
HAY- OTHER					28	37	28	6	1
HAY-ALFALFA					17	43	38	2	0
PASTURE & RANGE					23	32	37	8	0

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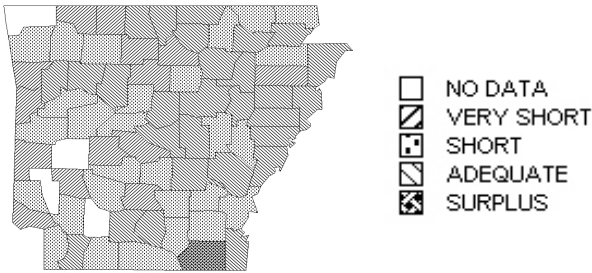
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SOIL MOISTURE SUPPLIES

WEATHER FOR THE WEEK ENDING:

October 16, 2005. Temperatures were above normal in all areas. No precipitation throughout the state. Eudora recorded the high temperature of 88⁰ and Harrison recorded the low temperature of 40⁰. Precipitation 0.00 inches at all reporting stations.



TEMPERATURES AND PRECIPITATION WEEK ENDING: October 16, 2005

DISTRICT AND STATION	TEMPERATURES			RAINFALL				
	HIGH	LOW	DEP FROM NORM	WEEK ENDING OCT 16	CURR OCT ACCUM.	OCT NORMAL	JAN-SEP	
							2005	NORMAL
1 Fayetteville	83	41	2	0.00	0.18	3.74	26.52	34.34
Harrison	83	40	3	0.00	0.03	3.50	26.54	33.11
2 Calico Rock	84	42	2	0.00	0.00	3.61	27.64	33.45
Gilbert	84	41	1	0.00	0.07	3.39	28.41	32.33
Greers Ferry	84	48	2	0.00	0.00	4.21	28.76	36.25
Mtn. Home	82	48	2	0.00	0.01	3.14	39.92	32.84
3 Batesville	86	43	4	0.00	0.00	4.00	28.28	34.03
Jonesboro	86	50	3	0.00	0.01	3.89	31.16	33.02
Keiser	85	41	2	0.00	0.02	3.38	33.11	36.75
Newport	83	50	1	0.00	0.00	3.67	26.61	34.86
4 Booneville	83	45	0	0.00	0.30	3.90	29.27	34.54
Clarksville	84	48	4	0.00	0.02	4.13	34.96	33.41
Dardanelle	86	46	3	0.00	0.00	4.19	28.09	34.74
Ft. Smith	86	49	3	0.00	0.00	3.94	26.86	31.74
Mena	81	42	1	0.00	0.02	5.68	27.99	41.81
Ozark	84	47	3	0.00	0.10	3.91	38.34	32.33
5 Conway	85	47	2	0.00	0.00	4.03	31.58	34.61
Hot Springs	87	43	1	0.00	0.00	5.21	33.40	40.99
Little Rock	84	50	3	0.00	0.00	4.25	32.19	36.24
N Little Rock	84	50	2	0.00	0.00	3.81	31.16	35.11
6 Brinkley	81	48	1	0.00	0.00	3.58	34.58	36.10
Marianna	82	48	1	0.00	0.24	3.79	31.95	38.37
Stuttgart	85	47	1	0.00	0.00	3.83	33.77	35.00
7 Hope	85	44	2	0.00	0.00	4.54	27.06	39.00
Texarkana	85	49	1	0.00	0.00	3.87	24.20	33.34
8 Camden	85	46	3	0.00	0.00	4.42	31.41	38.32
El Dorado	85	47	3	0.00	0.10	4.33	25.82	40.18
Warren	84	47	2	0.00	0.04	4.53	36.72	40.39
9 Eudora	88	45	1	0.00	0.00	3.93	30.44	41.56
Pine Bluff	85	48	2	0.00	0.00	4.49	35.48	37.71
Rohwer	83	48	2	0.00	0.07	3.38	37.51	37.61